

Total number of pages in this submission =

AF/165/ IFW

Customized PTO/SB/21 (02-04)

P07439US00/BAS

TRANSMITTAL FORM Application # 09/980,453 Confirmation # 6466 Filing Date 12 February 2002 First Inventor TAKAHASHI Art Unit 1651 Examiner Marx

Docket #

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)			
Fees calculated below Amendment/Reply including Attachment(s) X After Final Amendment/Reply X including Attachment(s) Extension of Time Petition Other:	Response to Missing Parts/Incomplete Appl. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Information Disclosure Statement Drawings Terminal Disclaimer		

FEES CALCULATION: For	claims if	required and/or other	fees as shown	below:	
T 0	NOW	Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	<u>\$</u>
TOTAL CLAIMS	11	22	0	X \$ 18 =	
INDEP. CLAIMS	4	4	0	X \$ 86 =	
•••••		To	TAL OF ABOVE C	CLAIMS FEES =	
Reduction by ½ f	or small e	entity status of appli	cant		
SUBTOTAL =					
Fee for extension of time (per attached Petition) Other fee for					
			TOTAL C	F ALL FEES =	-0-

X A CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$ -0- is enclosed. If no payment or an insufficient payment is enclosed and a fee is due in connection herewith, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee or additional fee due in connection herewith to Deposit Account No. 12-0555.

In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

Date:

18 May 2004

By: B. Aaron Schulman Registration No.: 31,877

STITES & HARBISON PLLC • 1199 North Fairfax St. • Suite 900 • Alexandria, VA 22314 Tel: 703-739-4900 • Fax: 703-739-9577

AMEND AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Application #	09/980,453
Confirmation #	6466
Filing Date	February 12, 2002
First Inventor	TAKAHASHI
Art Unit	1651
Examiner	Marx, Irene
Docket #	P07439US00/BAS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SIR:

In response to the Final Rejection dated February 24, 2004, please amend the above identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in Attachment A.
- Please also consider the REMARKS attached hereto as Attachment B.

In view of the amendments made and the remarks provided, it is submitted that upon entrance of the present amendment, the present application will be placed in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

STITES & HARBISON PLLC

May 18, 2004

B. Aarón Schulman Registration No. 31877

1199 North Fairfax Street, Suite 900 Alexandria, Virginia 22314

(703) 739-4900